

FEASIBILITY STUDY / EIS PUBLIC INFORMATION/SCOPING MEETING Flood Damage Reduction in The Kansas Citys, Missouri and Kansas Metropolitan Area

US Army Corps of Engineers Kansas City District

August 20th 2003 6:30-8:00 P.M.

North Kansas City Community Center, 1999 Iron St., North Kansas City, Missouri

The Kansas Citys, Missouri and Kansas, Local Flood Protection Project is an existing flood damage reduction project comprised of 7 existing levee units: Argentine Levee Unit; Armourdale Levee Unit; Birmingham Levee Unit; Central Industrial District (CID) Levee Unit; East Bottoms (Northeast Industrial District) Levee Unit; Fairfax-Jersey Creek Levee Unit; and the North Kansas City Levee Unit. This levees system provides flood protection to approximately 32 square miles of mostly urban, industrial, commercial and some residential property adjacent to the Kansas and Missouri Rivers in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Businesses in the protected area provide employment for approximately 90,000 individuals. In addition, the area has over 2,500 residences. The Corps, along with the above levee districts, are undertaking a study of the existing flood protection system, under the authority of Section 216 of the 1970 Flood Control Act, to determine if increases in the reliability of the system are warranted. This study will consider the economic, environmental, and social impacts that may occur as a result of various alternatives that could be implemented to reduce the risks for flood damage in the area protected by the Kansas Citys, Missouri and Kansas, Local Flood Protection Project. Potential changes to increase the system reliability will be discussed at a public information/scoping meeting on Wednesday August 20, 2003, 6:30-8:00 p.m., at the North Kansas City Community Center, 1999 Iron St., in North Kansas City, Missouri.

Community input concerning the environmental and cultural resources and the alternatives under consideration is essential to the development of an acceptable plan and the development of an Environmental Impact Statement. Anyone interested in this issue is invited to attend the meeting. Comments or questions may be submitted by e-mail to KClevees@nwk02.usace.army.mil or by writing to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: PM-PF, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO., 64106-2896. Additional information on the Kansas Citys Levees Study may be viewed on the Internet at http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/projects/7levees. Comments on the proposed project will be accepted at the public meeting or by writing the above. The scoping comment period will close on September 22, 2003 and all comments should be submitted by that date.

Please share this notice with anyone having interest in the scoping process.